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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE  
BEFORE THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS AND INTERFERENCES**

**In re Application of:**

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STRUCTURE WITHOUT CORNER  
EXPOSURE (as amended)

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